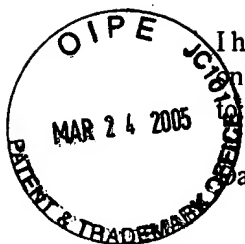


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Applicants hereby petition the Assistant Commissioner to grant a 3-month extension of time, up to and including Tuesday, March 22, 2005 in which to respond to the Final Office Action dated September 22, 2004 in the above-identified application.

Authorization is hereby given to charge the 3-month extension fee, i.e. \$1020.00, to the undersigned attorney's PTO deposit account No. 50-1047 accordingly.

Applicant hereby respectfully appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences

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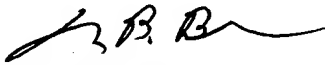
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from the decision of the Primary Examiner dated September 22, 2004 finally rejecting the pending claims in this application.

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